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August 24, 2006

**Brad Owens** Jermain, Dunnagan & Owens 3000 A Street, Suite 300 Anchorage, AK 99503

Re: N.S. v. A.S.D. – 05-cy-00177

Dear Brad:

Enclosed please find out attorney's fee statement in this matter. As you know, the Simmons substantially prevailed in the attorney's fees matter. The Simmons are, therefore, a prevailing party and are entitled to attorneys' fees consistent with Rule 54 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. As Judge Singleton noted in his order of December 19, 2005, plaintiffs can collect fees for having to litigate fees due for administrative work. See Barlow-Gresham Union High School Dist. No. 2 v. Mitchell, 940 F.2d 1280 (9th Cir. 1991). Thus, we are requesting that ASD pay DLC attorneys' fees incurred in the litigating the original fees matter. The total amount to date is \$10,832.50. This amount reflects both reasonable rates and a reasonable amount of time spent on the matter. Please note that we have not charged ASD for any costs, such as paralegal time of Patti Freeman, courier costs, copying or postage. Nor have we charged ASD for some modest attorney time spent on this matter by Tom Dosik and David Fleurant.

Although, the ASD made an offer of judgment on November 18, 2005 of \$7,800, the court awarded DLC fees in excess of same. Further, the ASD by its motion to compel caused unnecessary time and expense.

Please let us hear from you or your client, ASD, by the close of business on August 28, 2006 that the ASD will pay the above attorneys' fees. As usual, it is our preference to avoid a "third litigation" on attorneys' fees as we would much rather spend our time representing other individuals with disabilities who desperately need our assistance.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Sonja D. Kérr

Cc: Parents

MEMBER, OF, THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, OF PROTECTION, & ADVOCACY SYSTEMS



Disability Law Center of Alaska 3330 Arctic Blvd., STE 103 Anchorage, AK 99503

Invoice submitted to: Jill and Rick Simmons 7721 Evander Drive Anchorage AK 99518-3104

August 24, 2006

Invoice #10012

## **Professional Services**

	Hrs/Rate	Amount
3/22/2005 Research regarding attorneys' fees	2.68 225.00/hr	602.50
Letter to opposing counsel with fee demand.	0.33 225.00/hr	75.00
3/23/2005 Phone call to client, left message to call.	0.03 225.00/hr	7.50
3/31/2005 Letter to Brad Owens regarding fees, legal research regarding Brad's letter of the 31st.	1.03 225.00/hr	232.50
7/27/2005 Preparation of pleadings, attorneys fees, final version	2.38 225.00/hr	535.25
Draft, filing of fees complaint	1.31 225.00/hr	294.13
9/5/2005 Letter to Brad regarding Rule 26 and LR 16.3	0.50 225.00/hr	112.50
9/9/2005 Review draft of R. 26 report for Court, emailing and phone messages with Brad.	0.50 225.00/hr	112.50
10/5/2005 Review of Court's pretrial order regarding discovery, dates, etc. and related.	0.77 225.00/hr	173.88
10/18/2005 Preparation of Rule 26 disclosures and sent off with cover letter to Brad.	0.50 225.00/hr	112.50

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	Hrs/Rate	Amount
10/24/2005 Research - in response to discovery requests issue of representation agreementand discussed briefly with Tom D.	0.90 225.00/hr	202.50
11/2/2005 Draft response to Defendant's discovery	2.00 225.00/hr	450.00
11/15/2005 Letter to Brad Owens (dated 111605) regarding discovery issues and supplementation of discovery regarding rate as set in Noon.	1.87 225.00/hr	419.81
11/18/2005 Letter in response to Brad's letter of November 18, 2005 regarding discovery and related.	0.92 225.00/hr	206.25
11/19/2005 Draft response to Brad's offer of judgment and discovery issues.	2.00 225.00/hr	450.00
11/27/2005 Legal Research on time to oppose motion to compel.	0.25 100.00/hr	25.00
11/30/2005 Meeting with Dave/Tom to discuss defendant's motions and requests for discovery	0.74 225.00/hr	167.25
Telephone call with Paul Liles regarding affidavit of support for fees petition	0.33 225.00/hr	75.00
Telephone call Jill regarding fees petition and any privileged materials and requesting that she doublecheck for same as far as emails, etc.	0.17 225.00/hr	37.50
12/1/2005 Draft letter in response to Brad's objection to our deposition of Carol and Jerry.	1.00 225.00/hr	225.25
Further legal Research on issue of depositions in attorney fees cases	1.08 225.00/hr	242.81
Draft final version of letter to Brad regarding depositions of Fleurant, Jill and myself.	0.72 225.00/h <b>r</b>	161.25
Research motion to compel on attorneys fees - issue of claim of privilege	0.00 225.00/hr	0.94
Draft affidavit format for local counsel to verify reasonableness of local rate and provided to Tom to pass on.	0.08 225.00/hr	17.00
Review of affidavit of support from Paul Liles	0.81 225.00/hr	181.94
Research cases cited by Defendants in their motion to compel and also review of Alaska cases on same point and draft of supplementation with privilege log.	0.50 225.00/h <b>r</b>	111.63
Email to Pete Wright regarding affidavit of support status.	0.17 225.00/hr	37.50

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		Hrs/Rate	Amount
12/1/2005	Email to Dorene regarding affidavit of support status.	0.08 225.00/hr	18.75
	Legal Research regarding ability to take deposition of party as part of discovery in attorney fees claim.	1.02 100.00/hr	101.67
12/5/2005	Draft final version of supplemental disclosure with attorney privilege log and related.	0.50 225.00/hr	112.50
	Draft letter to Brad concerning Dave's deposition	0.17 225.00/hr	38.25
	Legal Research and drafting response to motion to compel	2.25 225.00/hr	506.25
	Preparation of pleadings - review documents and prepare privilege logs for Plaintiffs' supplementation to defendant's first request for discovery.	0.75 100.00/hr	75.00
12/6/2005	Complete pleadings - review documents and prepare privilege logs for Plaintiffs' supplementation to defendant's first request for discovery.	2.60 100.00/hr	260.00
	Additional research on response to motion to compel	1.50 225.00/hr	337.50
12/7/2005	Review, research and finalize response to motion to compel.	4.00 225.00/hr	900.00
12/11/2005	Legal Research in preparation for deposition of client and SK on 12/12/05, review of Harris case and briefs in case to 9th circuit	3.38 225.00/hr	761.25
12/12/2005	Email to Pete Wright with additional information and reminding of date egarding fees affidavit.	0.08 225.00/hr	18.75
	Letter to Brad/Ray after reviewing their reply on discovery motion to compel	0.33 225.00/hr	75.00
	Further review of Defendant's reply on motion to compel and work on draft of letter to counsel regarding misleading the court	0.17 225.00/hr	37.50
12/13/2005	Completed letter to counsel regarding reply on defendant's motion to compel	1.34 225.00/hr	300.75
12/15/2005	Letter to Brad with affidavits from Paul Liles, Dorene Philpot and Don McClintock	0.50 225.00/h <b>r</b>	112.50
	Drafted combined offer of settlement for N.S. and 2 others.	0.51 225.00/hr	113.75
12/19/2005	Draft Witness List	1.53 225.00/hr	345.31

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	Hrs/Rate	Amount
1/18/2006 Letter to Brad regarding potential settlement after speaking w/Dave.	0.65 225.00/hr	145.38
1/25/2006 Telephone call to Jill left message to call.	0.02 225.00/hr	3.75
2/14/2006 Draft, proposed stipulation and settlement.	0.42 225.00/hr	95.44
Draft motion for summary judgment on fees	3.67 225.00/hr	826.56
3/21/2006 Legal Research, review of D's opposition in response to petition for attorneys' fees	0.84 225.00/hr	189.94
5/23/2006 Draft Status Report federal court	0.33 225.00/hr	75.00
5/24/2006 Draft notice of supplemental authority	0.17 225.00/hr	37.50
8/24/2006 Legal Research regarding fees for fees.	0.33 225.00/hr	74.31
For professional services rendered	50.71	\$10,832.50
Balance due	- -	\$10,832.50

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